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SUBJECT:SAUDI ARABIA JOINS ILO - DEPARTMENT LABOR (DOL)

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DOL COMMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE DOL VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAM REPRESENTATIVES AFTER
6WEEKS CONSULTATION WITH SAG MINISTRY OF LABOR AND SOCIAL

AFFAIRS REPORT THAT AT NO TIME DID DEPUTY MINISTER AL-FAYEZ, OR OTHER MINISTRY OFFICIALS, MENTION THE POSSIBILITIES OF OR NEED FOR ILO ASSISTANCE IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING. WHEN AL-FAYEZ MET WITH OFFICIALS OF DOL IN WASHINGTON IN FEBRUARY 1975, HE STRESSED THAT HE WAS LOOKING TO THE USG/DOL FOR FULL ASSISTANCE IN DEVELOPING THE MINISTRY'S VOCATIONAL TRAINING KINGDOM-WIDE PROGRAM. AT NO POINT DURING OTHER DISCUSSIONS OVER THE PAST YEAR WAS THE POSSIBILITY OF REQUESTING ILO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RAISED.

2. IN THE EVENT SAUDI ARABIA HAS JOINED ILO AND REQUESTS EXPERTS IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING, EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO PHASE IN SUCH ASSISTANCE WITH THAT CONTEMPLATED IN THE

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION IN WASHINGTON. IT IS HOPED, HOWEVER, THAT THE PROGRAM ACTIVITIES AGREED UPON IN PRINCIPLE BY THE SAG/MLSA AND THE DOL TEAM, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE NEXT 12 TO 24 MONTHS CAN PROCEED AS PLANNED. ILO ASSISTANCE COULD BE PHASED IN AT SOME POINT FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF THE FIRST 12 MONTHS OF THE PROJECT'S OPERATION.

3. FOR GENEVA: CAN YOU CONFIRM SAUDI APPROACH TO ILO?
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